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in Times of Danger."**

Read the warning between the lines. What is that warning? It is of the danger from the accumulation of badness in the blood, caused by the usual heavy living of the Winter months. Spring is the clearing, cleansing time of the year; the forerunner of the brightness and beauty of glorious summer.

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Crip.—"Sixteen weeks of grip made me weak, but after all else failed Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me. Later I overworked, and dyspepsia and canker in mouth and stomach bothered me. I took the Sarsaparilla again and it completely restored me." Mrs. ELIZABETH FOMAN, Ketter, N. H.

Rheumatism.—"Myself and a friend both suffered from severe attacks of rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured both. We would not be without it." Wm. H. LORAN, 65 Leonard St., Fall River, Mass.

Head and Back.—"For one year pains in my back and head prevented my household duties. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and am a well woman. It also cured the grip in our family." Mrs. MATTIE HENSON, Cor. First and Franklin Ave., Columbus, Ind.



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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The events of the past week, in connection with our foreign relations, have been calculated to create a feeling of satisfaction in administration circles. Aguinaldo has been driven out of his so-called capital and his army broken up into scattered bodies which must hereafter fight as guerillas if at all, and it is confidently expected that Aguinaldo will save his carcass by getting out of American jurisdiction at the first opportunity, if he has not already done so. About the middle of the week there was much uneasiness because of the news that American and English warships had fired on some of the natives of Samoa, who were apparently supported by the German officials there, least the mix-up should lead to trouble with Germany; but instead of trouble, it seems likely that it will lead to a satisfactory straightening out of the whole kinky Samoan business, as representatives of Germany, Great Britain and United States, the three parties to the treaty under which Samoa has been governed for some years, have agreed to the appointment of a Joint High Commission, authorized to make a new arrangement for the government of the Samoan islands that will be permanent, and it is hoped, satisfactory.

A new indication of the existence of real brotherly feeling between Americans and Englishmen was given by the suggestion, made in the Committee that is arranging the parades which are to be a feature of the big Peace Jubilee, to be held in Washington May 22-26, that a special British feature be provided for in the parade of the Twenty-fourth, which will be the anniversary of Queen Victoria's birthday, in honor of that day. The suggestion was received with enthusiasm and immediate steps to carry it into effect were taken by appointing a sub-committee to confer with Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, for the purpose of securing his co-operation. By the way, this Peace Jubilee is going to be quite a spectacular event, and it will be held when Washington is at its best, from the sight-seeing point of view.

It did not take Secretary Hay more than about two minutes to convince the two Cubans sent to Washington to try to get the \$3,000,000, promised through General Gomez, to the Cuban soldiers, increased, or the consent of the President to an issue of bonds by the Cuban assembly, that they had wasted the money on the trip. The substance of Secretary Hay's remarks might be thus expressed: "Not a cent more; not a bond." The delegates, or whatever you might call them started for home without having seen the President at all, having been assured by Secretary Hay that it was useless for them to try.

The assistant Attorney General for the Post Office Department, has decided two specific chain-letter schemes, one offering a trip to the Paris Exposition, and the other an \$8 kodak, to be illegal, and the two decisions seem to cover nearly all the schemes of the sort now being advertised.

According to Representative Olmstead, of Pa., "the paramount question before the citizens of this great country today, is the seating of B. F. Roberts, member elect from Utah, to the next Congress." Continuing Mr. Olmstead said: "The way it happened to know that the drift of public opinion..."

ment arises from my service on the committee on privileges and elections. That committee, of the next House, may have to report on Roberts and I suppose that is the reason why the good people all over this broad land deluge me with letters. Every day brings me near a bushel of letters, all protesting against seating the Utah man on the score of his alleged practice of polygamy. Bulky petitions with hundreds of signatures of church people come to me from North and South, from East and West. Hundreds of women correspondents write in the same vein, and the seriousness of the writers cannot be questioned. I have no idea what the House will do in the matter, but judging from the powerful stir the case has created, it will be difficult, it seems to me for the House to ignore the matter entirely."

General Miles, speaking of the successful campaign of General Otis, paid this deserved compliment to the men behind the guns: "In the fighting which has taken place, the American troops, regulars and volunteers, have been doing splendidly. The work of the volunteers has been worthy of the highest commendation; they are fine fighting men and show that they have been accustomed to looking out for themselves."

Uncle Sam will soon be in the market for silver bullion, for the first time since the repeal of the Sherman act, over which there was such a furor. True, the amount to be purchased is not large, only enough to mint the 50,000 Lafayette souvenir silver dollars ordered by Act of Congress, to be given to the Lafayette monument to be erected in Paris as a present from Americans to France. July 4, of next year, has been set for the unveiling of the statue. The Lafayette dollar is to have a special design, which has not yet been fully determined upon.

NORTHEAST WEBSTER.
A new dressmaker in Mt. Clare.

No items last week on account of sickness.

Easter was enjoyed by all in this part of the county.

Mrs. Anna Killough is working for Mrs. Annie Blauch.

Miss Blanche Allen is working at Mt. Clare for Mr. Moin Allen.

C. F. Rickel and lady of Blue Hill were visiting at Mr. Lums Sunday.

Mr. Moin Allens of Mt. Clare was visiting at Mrs. Newmans Sunday.

Spelling school at Lum's school house next Friday night. Come every body.

Mrs. Bell Wells of Mt. Clare was visiting at Mr. Lums and Mr. Killough last week.

Joseph Searle had the misfortune to have his violin stolen about a week ago, by unknown parties.

A large party of friends gathered at Mr. G. M. Albins one day last week to celebrate Mrs. Albins birthday.

Mr. John Roberts of Lawrence Neb., and Miss Laura Patton were visiting at Geo. Huffmans Sunday April 2.

The term of school being taught in this district by Mrs. Ed. Blauch is giving good satisfaction. She is liked by all.

Mr. Harmon Motter delivered a lecture at Eckley church last Friday night on war topics which was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Linney celebrated their crystal wedding Monday, April 3, valuable presents were received and a nice dinner served. The young folks gathered in the evening and had a fine time.

LINE.
Weather stormy and cold.

Cutting corn stalks is the order of the day.

Chas. Anderson is the owner of a new top buggy.

Mrs. Richard Keagle is on the sick list this week.

Riley Lewis was the guest of Wm. VanDyke Sunday.

Ben VanDyke's cattle are coming through the winter in fine shape.

Wood Stevens is able to be up part of the time, and there is some hope of his recovery.

Mr. VanDyke is visiting his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Henderson of North Branch, Kansas this week.

Allen Carpenter was attending court at Red Cloud this week. He has a damage suit pending before this term of court.

While the country is improving, the hill south of the bridge should not be forgotten nor the narrows west of the bridge.

The first dwelling house and also the first store building in North Branch, owned by D. H. Dillon, were consumed by fire last week.

Rev. James Campbell of North Branch preached at Penny creek, Dist., No. 8 last Sunday. A large congregation was in attendance.

A RAMEBLE.

J. Shoer, Sedalia, Mo., conductor on electric street car line, writes that his little daughter was very low with croup, and her life saved after all physicians had failed, only by using One Minute Cough Cure.—C. L. Cotting.

STATE CREEK

Some sickness as yet in our part, mostly measles and grip.

Wood Stevens and old Mrs. Elliott are better at this writing.

The Lebanon furniture man was out with his hearse at the burial at Mt. Hope.

The boys are having some fun as the geese go over, some of them fail to get any farther north. Ed Mounford says wild goose is good meat.

While corn is only selling for twenty-three to twenty-five cents and hogs at \$5 30 to 3 40, and land at five to seven dollars per acre, a man can buy a few acres and make himself a home and not have to move again next year.

There was a death south of us on White Rock last week, Miss Maud Ingram. The funeral services were held at the Johnson school house and conducted by Rev. Markham of Cora. The remains were laid to rest in the Mt. Hope cemetery.

While we have a backward or late spring, and no potatoes or oats sown as yet, all are encouraged at the many good prospects of a good crop this year. The soil is thoroughly wet up and about thawed out and when we get out our crops they will grow.

While several farms in this part have changed hands this spring there are a few more cheap farms for sale and the boys that are renting ought to look out for them, for about one more good crop and then the land will go higher and rent for two-fifths or one-half and cash rent.

OCCASIONAL

ECKLEY.

Mrs. Denney visited with Mrs. Will Crozier Tuesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ogilvie April 3, a daughter.

John Smith and family spent Sunday at Chas. Molley's.

G. Warner and family spent Sunday with Mrs. D. H. Robinson.

Mrs. Atkinson and daughter of Merna Nebraska are here visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Randall and Mrs. Robinson were the guests of Mrs. Donney on Wednesday.

John Miller and Miss DeWolfe attended services at St. Stephens on Easter Sunday.

Miss Jessie Shelton entertained a number of her friends at her home on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Spracher, Mrs. Wells and Ross Hubbard went to Edgar Tuesday to attend the League Convention.

GUIDE ROCK.

I. B. Colvin is attending court at the Hub this week.

School closes in the Guide Rock school May 25.

Harry Curtis of northeast of town is attending court this week.

The new milliner and dressmaker is expected to move in this week.

Some of our Crows were in Red Cloud Thursday, viz Malon and George Crow.

There was no election on Tuesday as per notices, so we suppose the village board holds over.

The new Harness maker Mr. Scott from Cowles moved in Monday. Mr. Scott is a good workman, salesman, and a gentleman and a good citizen as we know from personal acquaintance.

AMIDOWN.

Not one child dies where ten formerly died from erump. People have learned the value of One Minute Cough Cure and use it for severe lung and throat troubles. It immediately stops coughing. It never fails.—C. L. Cotting.

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among your neighbors who have purchased HARNESSES from us and you will find that in every case it has proved to be of superior make and excellent quality.

J. O. Butler.

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The greatest care should be given to any little sore, pimple or scratch which shows no disposition to heal under ordinary treatment. No one can tell how soon these will develop into Cancer of the worst type. So many people die from Cancer simply because they do not know just what the disease is; they naturally turn themselves over to the doctors, and are forced to submit to a cruel and dangerous operation which the doctors know for Cancer. The disease is a deadly poison in the blood, and an operation, plaster, or other external treatment can have no effect whatever upon it. The cure must come from within—the last vestige of poison must be eradicated.

Mr. Wm. Walpole, of Walshtown, S. D., says: "A little blotch about the size of a pea came under my left eye, gradually growing larger, from which shooting pains at intervals ran in all directions. I became greatly alarmed and consulted a good doctor, who pronounced it Cancer, and advised that it be cut out, but this I could not consent to. I read in my local paper of a cure effected by S. S. S., and decided to try it. It acted like a charm, the Cancer becoming at first irritated, and then discharging very freely. This gradually grew less and then discontinued altogether, leaving a small scab which soon dropped off and now only a healthy little scar remains where what threatened to destroy my life once held full sway." Positively the only cure for Cancer is Swift's Specific—

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Big Bargains in Choice Farms.

I have for sale within two miles of Red Cloud about 1600 acres choice improved farms of 80 acres or more, very cheap on favorable terms. These lands must be sold regardless of price. Come and see me for bargains in land.

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